

Public Notice
Proposed Issuance of a Prevention of Significant Deterioration Construction Permit to
Mounds Production Company, LLC in Mounds

Mounds Production Company, LLC has applied for a construction permit from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) to modify its dryers #1 and #2 at its facility located at 700 Industrial Park Road in Mounds. The modification consists of the replacement of the burner system, two new wet gas scrubber systems and new coal handling equipment. The new burner system will allow both dryers the ability to fire coal, fuel oil or natural gas. The project is a major modification as defined by the federal Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) rules, 40 CFR 52.21. The Illinois EPA is accepting comments prior to making a final decision on this project.

Pursuant to the PSD rules, the project is considered a major modification of an existing major source for nitrogen oxides (NO_x). The facility must meet Best Available Control Technology for controlling NO_x. BACT has been determined to be low-NO_x burners on the dryers. An ambient air quality model was prepared, which indicates that the increase in NO_x emission will not significantly impact ambient air quality.

Persons wanting more information may obtain copies of the draft permit, and project summary at www.epa.gov/region5/air/permits/ilonline.htm (please look under All Permit Records, PSD, New). These documents and the application can also be obtained from the Illinois EPA's offices at 2309 W. Main, Marion, 618/993-7200 and 1340 North Ninth St., Springfield, 217/782-7027 (for either location please call ahead to assure that someone will be available to assist you). Copies of the documents will be made available upon request.

The Illinois EPA is accepting comments prior to making a final decision on this project. Comments must be postmarked by midnight July 14, 2004. If sufficient interest is expressed in the permit, a hearing may be held. Requests for information, comments, and questions should be directed to Brad Frost, Division of Air Pollution Control, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, PO. Box 19506, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9506, phone 217/782-2113, TDD phone number 217/782-9143.